

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

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Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the amendment filed 7/15/2004.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-17.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 15 July 2004 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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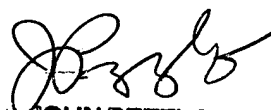
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THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 9 September 2004
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____.
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.


JOHN PEZZLO
PRIMARY EXAMINER

DETAILED ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Hung H. Bui on 20 October 2004.

The claims have been amended as follows:

1. Claim 1 – Line 6, after "including a plurality of" deleted "transmission" and inserted -- basic and virtual -- .
2. Claim 1 – Line 8, after "changing a time region" inserted -- , via said basic and virtual segments, --.
3. Claim 4 – Line 6, after "including a plurality of" deleted "transmission" and inserted -- basic and virtual -- .
4. Claim 4 – Line 8, after "a plurality of times" inserted -- , via said basic and virtual segments, --.
5. Claim 4 – Line 13, after "multiplying" deleted " transmission" and inserted -- said basic and virtual -- .

6. Claim 4 – Line 16 and 17, after "superposing" deleted "the transmission" and inserted -- said basic and virtual -- .

7. Claim 7 – Line 5, after "multiplying" deleted " transmission" and inserted -- said basic and virtual -- .

8. Claim 7 – Line 8 and 9, after "superposing" deleted "the transmission" and inserted -- said basic and virtual -- .

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-17 are allowable over the prior art of record.

Reasons for Allowance

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Applicants have claimed uniquely distinct features in the instant invention, which are not found in the prior art, either singularly or in combination. Each independent claim identifies the following uniquely distinct features:

1. Regarding claim 1 – A code division multiple access transmission system, comprising: on a transmitting side, a means for obtaining a primary modulated wave by performing differential coding phase modulation on a carrier signal in accordance with information, and a means for generating a spread signal including a plurality of basic and virtual segments, by multiplying said primary modulated wave by a spread code repeatedly a plurality of times. changing a time region, via said basic and virtual segments, within a symbol period, and for transmitting said generated spread signal, and on a receiving side, a means for detecting a phase difference between a past symbol and a present symbol, by performing quasi-synchronous detection and despreading, and difference operation, and a means for outputting the detected phase difference as information of said symbol.

2. Regarding claim 2 - A code division multiple access transmission system, comprising: on a transmission side, a means for obtaining a primary modulated wave by performing phase modulation on a carrier signal in accordance with information; a means for excluding rapid fluctuation of a phase value in a symbol end area of said primary modulated wave, and a means for generating a spread signal by multiplying said primary modulated wave, from which the rapid fluctuation of the phase value is excluded, by a spread code, and for transmitting said generated spread signal, and on a receiving side, a means for regenerating the information by despreading, said despreading being performed by obtaining a sum of values that, in turn, are obtained by multiplying the received spread signal by a corresponding despread code.
3. Regarding claim 3 - A code division multiple access transmission system, comprising: on a transmitting side, a means for obtaining a primary modulated wave by performing phase modulation on a carrier signal in accordance with information, a means for excluding rapid fluctuation of a value of a spread code in an end area of a spread code period, and a means for generating a spread signal by multiplying said primary modulated wave by a spread code, from which the rapid fluctuation of the value of the spread code is excluded, and for transmitting said generated spread signal, and on a receiving side, a means for regenerating the information by despreading, said despreading being performed by obtaining a sum of values that, in turn, are obtained by multiplying the received spread signal by a corresponding despread code.
4. Regarding claim 4 - A code division multiple access transmission system, comprising: on a transmitting side, a means for obtaining a primary modulated wave by performing phase modulation on a carrier signal in accordance with information, and a means for generating a spread signal including a plurality of basic and virtual segments, by multiplying said primary modulated wave by a spread code sequence repeatedly a plurality of times within a symbol period, and for transmitting said spread signal, and on a receiving side, a means for regenerating the information by despreading, said despreading being performed by obtaining a sum of values that, in turn, are obtained by multiplying said basic and virtual segments of a received spread signal by a corresponding despread code sequence, wherein said means for regenerating, on the receiving side, performs said despreading in virtual segments defined by superposing said basic and virtual segments, changing a time region.
5. Regarding claim 5 - A code division multiple access transmission system comprising: on a transmitting side, a means for obtaining a primary modulated wave by performing differential coding phase modulation on a carrier signal in accordance with information, a means for excluding rapid fluctuation of a phase value in a symbol end area of said primary modulated wave, and a means for generating a spread signal including a plurality of transmission segments, by multiplying said primary modulated wave by a spread code repeatedly a plurality of times, changing a time region within a symbol period, and for transmitting said spread signal, and on a receiving side, a means for detecting a phase difference between a past symbol and a present symbol, by performing quasi-synchronous detection and despreading, and difference operation of a received spread signal, and a means for outputting the detected phase difference as information of said symbol.

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6. Regarding claim 6 - A code division multiple access transmission system comprising: on a transmitting side, a means for obtaining a primary modulated wave by performing differential coding phase modulation on a carrier signal in accordance with information, a means for excluding rapid fluctuation of a spread code in an end area of a spread code period of said spread code, and a means for regenerating a spread signal including a plurality of transmission segments, by multiplying said primary modulated wave by a spread code repeatedly a plurality of times, changing a time region within a symbol period, and for transmitting said spread signal, and on a receiving side, a means for detecting a phase difference between a past symbol and a present symbol, by performing quasi-synchronous detection and despreading, and difference operation of a received spread signal, and a means for outputting the detected phase difference as information of said symbol.

The closest prior art, either singularly or in combination, fail to anticipate or render the above limitations obvious.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Claims 1-17 being allowable, **Prosecution On The Merits Is Closed** in this application.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to John Pezzlo whose telephone number is (571) 272-3090. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Hassan Kizou, can be reached on (571) 272-3088. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (571) 272-2600.

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